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## SHIPPING NOTES.

The O. S. S. steamer *Chicago-maru* has just been launched at the Kawasaki Shipbuilding Yard, Kobe. The *Chicago-maru* is the third of the series built by the Kawasaki Dockyard Co. for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha American line, the two sister ships being the *Tacoma-maru* and the *Seattle-maru*. The former was launched on the 5th of February this year, and the latter on the 3rd of May. Like her sister-ship, the *Chicago-maru* is a steel steamer 410 feet long, 51 feet wide, and 32 feet deep, with a gross tonnage of 6,170, and carrying engines of 4,500 horse-power. Miss Nakahashi (daughter of the President of the O.S.K.) performed the ceremony of naming the *Chicago-maru*, as she did the *Seattle-maru*.

The claim in connection with the loss of the Hokkaido Tanko Kisen Kaisha's steamer *Ibuki-maru*, which was sunk at Yokohama in April last as the result of a collision with the steamer *Sydney*, belonging to the Messageries Maritimes Company, is now being contested in the Yokohama District Court. The claim is for damages amounting to ¥2,085.15, together with interest thereon at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, from April 17th, 1909, until the date of the execution of judgment. It is contended that the collision which resulted in the sinking of the Japanese ship was due to the negligence of the Captain of the *Sydney*, while the defence contends that it was due to the negligence of the Captain of the *Ibuki-maru*. It was stated by the plaintiff's counsel that at the time of the disaster the steamer *Ibuki-maru* was valued at ¥130,000. The vessel had been repaired by the Uraga Dock Company and was steaming on her first voyage at that time. After the disaster the plaintiff's Company abandoned the wreck to the Tokyo Marine Insurance Company, from which plaintiff received only ¥80,000, the sum insured, but lost the balance of ¥50,000. (The plaintiff had learned that the sunken steamer was subsequently sold by tender for the price of ¥930. At the time of the collision the *Ibuki-maru* had coal valued at ¥840 on board. Owing to the sinking of the vessel, the plaintiff gave the Captain and sailors the sum of ¥1,965.15 for relief. The loss of plaintiff's Company, therefore, totalled ¥2,085.15, which the defendant had failed to pay. The defence disputed these figures. The decision of the Court has not yet been rendered.

An innovation which is a novelty in the mercantile marine has been adopted by the Pacific Mail Line. Under the terms of a general order issued by Mr. R. P. Schwerin, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Mail Company, employees who wear the company's uniform will hereafter be entitled to decorate their sleeves with service stripes. Every three years of continuous service will entitle the employee on a Pacific Mail ship to wear a quarter-inch stripe around the cuff of his coat. At the end of ten years the three-quarter inch stripe will be substituted. In the case of employees whose uniforms bear gilt insignia the service stripes will be gold, and for those who do not rotate buttons on their uniforms black braid will tell how long they have served the flag. In the matter of service stripes only continuous will count.

A cable from London to the American papers states that while no official statement is obtainable there, yet well-informed circles attach much importance to the rumoured Canadian Pacific control of the Allan Steamship Line. The fact that the Allan officials received provisional notice to leave is taken to indicate that the line is passing under the control of another steamship concern, seeing that a railroad company like the Grand Trunk would probably need to retain the Allan Steamship staff. The Canadian Pacific, by control of the Allan line, would secure much-needed secondary boats, namely, the *Victorian* and *Virginian*, to replace out-of-date steamers of the lake class, and supplement the two Empress boats on the Atlantic. Moreover, the Canadian Pacific would gain coveted access to the Glasgow and French trade, from which it is barred out by the conference rules.

A Washington correspondent says that men in and out of Congress who for a great many years have been agitating for the passing of a Ship Subsidy Bill feel very confident that a Bill of that character will be passed at the coming session of Congress. In the House the Bill commands the support of the Speaker and his chief advisers. Mr. Aldrich and other leaders of the Senate approve of it, and the President has publicly announced that he will recommend ship subsidy legislation to Congress in his annual Message. With this powerful backing, it will meet with opposition from some Democrats and those Western "insurgents" who find the Tariff Bill so unpalatable, and who look upon a ship subsidy as a bonus paid to the Eastern and Western seaboard without any compensating advantage to the interior. If the Bill passes it will undoubtedly affect British shipping injuriously, as it will stimulate American shipbuilding and the merchant marine, and divert cargoes to the vessels flying the American flag, as with a subsidy paid by the Government, it will be possible for American ships to compete with British in the Atlantic as well as the Pacific trade.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Taming* left Manila on the 9th inst., and is due here to-day.  
The C.N. Co.'s str. *Anhui* left Shanghai on the 11th inst., and is due here on the 14th inst.  
The Austrian Lloyd's str. *E. Franz Ferdinand* left Singapore for this port on the 10th inst., and is due here on the 16th inst.  
The P.M. str. *China* arrived at San Francisco on the 6th inst.  
The C.P.R. str. *Empress of China* arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m. on Thursday, the 11th inst., and left again at 1 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 4 p.m. on the 12th inst.  
The O.S.K. str. *Tacoma Maru* left Tacoma on the 9th inst. for Yokohama, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 12th prox.

## HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held yesterday in the Council Chamber.

The following were present:—  
His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR FREDERICK JOHN DRAUGHTY, LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.  
His EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL R. G. BROADWOOD, C.B., A.D.C. (General Officer Commanding).  
Hon. Sir F. H. MAY, K.C.M.G., (Colonial Secretary).  
Hon. Mr. F. A. HAZELAND (Attorney-General).  
Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).  
Hon. Mr. P. N. H. JONES (Director of Public Works).  
Hon. Mr. A. W. BREWSTER (Registrar-General).  
Hon. Mr. F. J. BAILEY (Capt. Superintendent of Police).  
Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G.  
Hon. Mr. E. OSBORNE.  
Hon. Mr. E. A. HEWETT.  
Hon. Mr. MURRAY STEWART.  
Hon. Mr. W. J. GREGSON.  
Hon. Mr. W. H. YEE, C.M.G.  
Mr. C. CLEMENTI (Clerk of Councils).

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SIR F. H. MAY.  
His EXCELLENCY—Gentlemen.—Before proceeding with the business of the day, I propose to read to the Council the telegram which I received from the Secretary of State. It is as follows:—

"It gives me pleasure to inform you that His Majesty has been graciously pleased to approve of conferring the Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George upon Mr. May."  
(Applause.) This news has already been made public in the Press, but I take this opportunity of reading this telegram to the Council in order that I may place on the records of the Legislative Council the fact that the oldest—with one exception—member of the Council here present has been awarded this honour by His Majesty, and I am sure that I voice the feeling of every member of this Council and of the Colony at large when I say that no honour conferred on this occasion by the King in any part of the Empire has been better deserved than the one of which we are taking note to-day. (Applause.)

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY—Sir, I beg to express my appreciation of the terms in which your Excellency has been good enough to refer to the honour which has been conferred upon me.

CONDOLENCES WITH JAPAN.  
His EXCELLENCY—I have also to inform the Council that immediately on receipt of the news of the dastardly outrage by which one of the foremost statesmen of Japan was deprived of his life at the hand of an assassin I telegraphed the sympathy of this Colony with our ally on their great loss. I received in reply the following telegram from His Majesty's Ambassador at Tokyo:—

"The Japanese Government desire me to convey to you their deep gratitude for the sympathetic message with respect to the lamented death of Prince Ito."

FINANCIAL MINUTES.  
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table Financial Minute No. 51, and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the resolution was agreed to.

FINANCIAL.  
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H. E. the Governor, laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee, (No. 17) and moved its adoption.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

BYELAWS.  
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY moved that the approval of the Council be given to the byelaws made under section 35 of section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances, 1903-09, with reference to the prevention of mosquito breeding.

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY moved that the approval of the Council be given to byelaws made under section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances, 1903-09, with regard to slaughter-houses and slaughter of animals.

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

## THE COINAGE PROBLEM.

The following resolution was standing in the name of the Hon. Mr. Stewart:—"That in the opinion of this Council the issue of a new subsidiary coinage convertible at par would not be successful unless the use of all other subsidiary coins were prohibited in the Colony, and that, in the circumstances, it is undesirable to deal with the matter except as part of a comprehensive scheme of local currency reform."

Hon. Mr. STEWART said, in moving the resolution:—Your Excellency, in speaking to the resolution of which I gave notice at our last meeting I shall not detain the Council long. I propose to do little more than indicate my reason for bringing it forward. Manifestly it refers to the scheme for the issue of a new subsidiary coinage propounded by an unofficial member in the debate on the Estimates—a proposal to repudiate after a certain date all the existing subsidiary coinage circulating outside of the Colony, to redeem the amount circulating or held in the Colony on the same date, and to issue a new subsidiary coin, convertible at par to any extent, but only legal tender up to two dollars; these coins to compete for public favour with those issued from the Canton Mint, the circulation of which in the Colony was not to be prohibited. Hitherto I have held with those who consider repudiation unjustifiable, redemption impracticable, and prohibition impolitic. The way the hon. member put the

case for his contention, that we are not bound to redeem, shook the first of these opinions a little, but by now it has resettled in its old foundations. Having thought over the matter, I consider that the proposal to repudiate, however attractively it may be presented, is, after all, indefensible; and, further, that, in any case, new subsidiary coins would not cure the inconvenience at present complained of, unless the concurrent use of Chinese subsidiary coins were prohibited. In other words, I think that the scheme propounded would not work. It is here that opinion differs. On the one hand, it is contended by the hon. member that the fact of his proposed new coin being convertible at par would cause it to drive out the competing Chinese coins. On the other hand, it is held that the Chinese coin would still be in demand among the poorer section of the population, who would always prefer to receive in exchange for a dollar, say, for the sake of argument, eleven Chinese ten cent pieces instead of ten British pieces. It is this view of the probabilities which the first part of the resolution asserts. The point is debatable. I don't propose to discuss it. It is impossible to do so except at great length. And the hope of reaching finality is too slight to justify that. Currency questions are perhaps the most intricate of all the questions about which people freely dogmatise, and legislation dealing with them is notoriously apt to lead to most unexpected results. Ours are peculiarly intricate owing to the complex relation created by contact between ancient and modern conditions of life, between two distinct and well defined states of civilisation with standards of wealth so far apart that the unit of currency of the one is regarded as subsidiary coin by the other. I need not remind the Council that the notes issued by the Provincial Government Treasury in Canton are payable in 20 cent pieces. I need not remind you that the shares of the Kwangtung section of the Canton-Hankow Railway are issued in exchange for 20 cent pieces, that, in fact, the capital of that great undertaking is 20 cent pieces—great as that is to the English mind that when the local Branch of the China Association advised the London Committee of it, the Chairman was afraid to mention it at the Foreign Office lest it should turn out to be a ridiculous mistake on our part. This only shows that the inhabitants of a country in which wealth is fairly widespread have difficulty in appreciating the currency needs of a country rich and so thickly populated that the vast majority are very poor. This is important to remember, and it is sometimes forgotten in discussing the local currency problem. As I have said I do not propose to discuss it now. Local currency problems have been to the fore ever since the birth of the Colony, and they are not likely to be solved by exhaustive and exhausting speeches delivered in one afternoon. Moreover, it is not really necessary to the practical purpose I have in view, that the Council should endorse an opinion which may be regarded as academic. I am only concerned to elicit an expression of opinion upon the merits of the proposed scheme as a whole. On the occasion of its promulgation your Excellency said that the Government would consider it. Doubtless you have done so. If, after consideration, the Government does not intend to carry out the hon. member's recommendations, it appears to me to be desirable in the public interest that a statement to that effect should be made. For this reason. Part of the scheme being to redeem the existing coin circulating or held in the Colony, obviously, if the belief were to gain ground that the scheme had any chance of being adopted, our coins would tend to flow back into the Colony in convenient quantities, with the result that, eventually, in the case of nothing being done, they would still further depreciate. To prevent this the Government, if they have no intention of redeeming at par the coins held locally, should say so. The belief that it is important to dissipate a possible misleading idea, calculated to encourage speculation, is my main reason for bringing forward this resolution. I must confess that it is perhaps not particularly well designed for the purpose, and, if the statement which I hope to elicit is made, I shall be willing to withdraw it. The latter part, suggesting that, if anything is done, our local currency ought to be dealt with as a whole by some comprehensive scheme of reform, at least indicates that I am not opposed to change, as such. So far I have been against most schemes of currency reform put forward; not because they involved change, but because I was not persuaded that the changes proposed were for the better. For instance, I did not agree with the proposal made seven years ago to adopt pounds, shillings and pence as the currency of the Colony. That proposal was not new, any more than subsequent proposals to "go gold" were new. Pounds, shillings and pence were proclaimed legal tender here in 1845, but merchants ignored the Government's theoretical gold standard and wisely continued to conduct their operations in the currency most convenient to China's foreign trade, the fact being that they had no option in the matter if they wanted to see the trade prosper. Those who fondly imagine that currency problems would cease from troubling if only we had a gold standard, should dip back fifty years into the history of the Colony. They might then realise, what the Government eventually realised in the early sixties, that the wise thing to do was to adopt a currency of equal value with the currency in which the trade of Canton was being conducted. The Government of that day realised the identity of this Colony's commercial interests with those of the great trade centre of South China more clearly than many among us would seem to at the present time. It is just as important to realise that commercially we are part of China as

to remember that politically we are not, a fact the significance of which, we have just been sharply reminded, is insufficiently appreciated in high places. Realisation of the former fact that commercially we are part and parcel of China leads to a cautious reception of currency reform proposals based upon the idea that the time has come for this Colony to take independent action. That time will not have come, it seems to me, until the present renewed prospect of the establishment of a uniform currency throughout China shall have faded. The hope that in exchange for permission to raise the Custom duties the Central Government will discover a strong reason for strong action, may seem somewhat faint, but I submit that it is less faint than any hitherto held out. We shall doubtless be told that the Central Government is not strong enough to force a uniform currency upon the Provinces, even if it so desires. But it is not reasonable to be asked to believe one moment that the Central Government is powerless to do this, and to be told at the same moment that it is powerful enough to eradicate the opium habit in a few years throughout the length and breadth of the land. If that is possible, and the accredited authorities on Chinese affairs proclaim the fact, it must surely also be possible to perform the far simpler task of controlling a few Provincial Mints. All that is required is an adequate motive and this may conceivably be suggested. Thus there seems more chance of reform than ever before, and, therefore, more than ever now should we exercise patience and wait and see what is to come. In the meantime it is incumbent on this Government to continue to work towards the rehabilitation of the subsidiary coinage in use by exerting its influence to combat the evils of over-production by the Canton Mint. More than that I do not advocate at the moment. It appears to be still doubtful whether the anticipated uniform currency throughout China will be the talisman of the dollar. Whichever it is, we should, if possible, adapt our currency to it, and pending the Central Government's eventual choice, I do not think it would be wise of us to launch out independently. If, however, within a reasonable period, it should become apparent that, after all, the hope that I have dwelt on is not to be fulfilled, then we shall have to face the risks of independent action, and then a comprehensive scheme of local currency reform—dealing with our copper as well as with our silver coins—will receive my active support. But while these things are in "the knees of the gods," I have no particular desire that this Government should bind itself in any way other than by the declaration I have asked for, and simply in order that there may be subject matter before the Council to speak to, I move *pro forma* the resolution as it stands.

The Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—The hon. member has wandered very far from the point—  
His EXCELLENCY—The resolution has not been seconded.

Hon. Mr. HEWETT—Your Excellency, I informed the hon. member who represents the Justices of the Peace that I would be very glad to second his resolution. When I came into this room I was not aware of what he was going to say. I have listened to him with great attention this afternoon, and, in the main, I entirely agree with what he has said. I do not propose to take up the time of this honourable Council by going into the extremely vexed and complicated question of currency reform, but I will briefly state my reasons for supporting the hon. member. To begin with, a proposal was set forward by my hon. friend on my right (Mr. Osborne) at a previous meeting that we should repudiate all British coin which has poured into Southern China for many years past. It appears to me that that would be an absolutely indefensible action. Personally I would look upon it as politically immoral, and I feel very sure that that view would be taken by His Majesty's Ministers at Home, supposing the scheme were before them. I have already stated in this Council that I think it inadvisable to continue the scheme for redemption started by your Excellency's predecessor. It has been given a fair trial for some years and is found to be costing the Colony a large sum of money without an adequate return. I also endorse the remarks by the hon. member who moved the resolution that prohibition, as we now stand, of Chinese coinage is most inadvisable. As I have already stated on a previous occasion, I consider the attitude of the Government at present as the correct one. We know for many years past the Government has carefully and anxiously followed the currency question, but I believe the moment has not yet arrived for any special action on the part of the Government. It is unquestionable, in my opinion—although there are others who do not agree with me—that our coins, as trade now exists, cannot possibly be dissociated with that of the Chinese Empire and I believe if any attempt of that kind was made it would inflict a very serious blow on the trade of the Colony. We must continue our trade with the southern part of China, and merchants doing that must deal with Chinese on terms of equal footing as far as their coinage is concerned. If they find that through legislation in the Colony trade is checked, they will remove their business to the treaty ports. The trade will continue, but the interests of Hongkong will suffer. It appears to me that the only thing to do now is for the Government to continue the policy, which I understand it has followed for some time, of encouraging in every possible way to encourage currency reform in China, which, I think, is within measurable distance. I may be wrong there. If I am, then, it will be open for the Government of this

Colony to reconsider the circumstances. As a matter of fact, I think that it would in the circumstances be an enormous mistake and deal a serious blow at the material prosperity of the Colony were the Government to attempt this dual action. I will not take up the time of the Council further. As I said, I have only just heard the remarks made by the mover of the resolution. It is impossible for me—and I do not think it is at all necessary—to enlarge on anything he has said. I merely wish to support him in the main principles of his resolution.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—I thought, sir, that we were here to discuss questions concerning Hongkong, but we seem to be wandering away into Chinese currency affairs that have no bearing upon the point at issue; so I will endeavour to focus the debate back to the Colony's needs. The honourable member who has moved this resolution declares that repudiation of British coins is indefensible, and no doubt there are many who will be inclined to agree with him; indeed, it was only in regard to this aspect of the question, as I stated a fortnight ago, that I anticipated any exception being taken to my proposals. I will not argue this point; to do so would be of little advantage, because it is unlikely that unanimity would ever be reached. But I will meet his objection with a development of the original scheme, by which repudiation can be avoided and by which redemption can be effected without additional loss to the Treasury. I would suggest that the old coins be demoted to use so far as the public are concerned; that is to say, that they continue to be legal tender to others, but cease to be legal tender to Government. The effect of this would be that a certain quantity would annually return to the Treasury and could be melted down and re-cast into new coins. Our local exchequer by slow degrees gorged itself in the past with unwholesome profits from subsidiary coinage, and if redemption be the only acceptable avenue to reform, then let it in similar manner disgorge by slow degrees in the future. Meanwhile, new coin would circulate at par and be legal tender both to Government and the public. The honourable member fears that the Chinese will continue to use Chinese coins—that they will prefer eleven Chinese 10 cent pieces to ten will prefer eleven Chinese 10 cent pieces to ten British. That may or may not be so. Again I will not argue the point, except to say that if the Chinese prefer their own coins, it will be their own affair and does not in the least affect the main principle of my scheme, which is that a coin at all times worth its face value would be available to those who wish to use it; and in further answer to this argument I can only repeat what I said before that those who continue to accept depreciated coins will have no one but themselves to blame for any loss they may suffer.

His EXCELLENCY—Gentlemen.—The hon. member at the end of the table who represents the Justices of the Peace has told us that he is willing to withdraw his resolution if the Government will give him an assurance that they will not accept the scheme proposed by the hon. member on his left, except as part of a large scheme of currency reform. I have given much thought to the scheme, as I promised that I would do, in so far as it was possible to give thought to a scheme of which only the very briefest outline was given by the hon. member in his Budget speech. I replied on that occasion that it did not seem as though the scheme afforded any grounds for belief that the introduction of new coinage would oust the Chinese coin.

He did not tell us on that occasion whether he anticipated that it would put it or thought that it would not, or whether he would be content that the Chinese coin should circulate in the Colony provided that the new coinage circulated at par. The scheme would admittedly involve repudiation of the Hongkong currency which remained in circulation, for I think there is little doubt that the existing currency would still remain in circulation as long as the Chinese coinage; of course, circulating like it at a large discount. I do not think that any British Government in any British Colony would agree to a scheme involving repudiation of existing coinage being attempted, and unless a very considerable period for the redemption of the coin in circulation were agreed upon I could not support it myself. On this crucial point the hon. member in the brief outline he gave was silent. If he had in his mind that the period should be so short as one as to prevent the influx of stocks from Canton, that would involve an act of repudiation so large that I do not think that we could consider it just now. If, on the other hand, he contemplated a considerable period during which the holders of existing stocks should be able to redeem the coin they had—say, a period of some six months—the liability which this Colony would incur would undoubtedly be a very large one and one wholly unknown. I concur, too, with what the proposer of the resolution said regarding the inadvisability of establishing any new form of coinage at the present moment until we know what the coinage of China is likely to be. Finally, and I think this is the most important point of all, the issue of a new coinage and the repudiation of the old would, I fear, strike a very serious and grave blow at the financial stability and integrity of this Colony in the eyes of China. (Applause.) In these circumstances I am prepared to give the assurance asked for by the proposer of the resolution, to use his own words, "the Government do not intend to deal with this matter of a new coinage except as part of a comprehensive scheme of local currency reform."

The hon. Mr. OSBORNE proposed a scheme which differs very considerably from his original one, by which I understand that he meant that there should be two parallel forms of legal tender, of

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coinage in this Colony so far as the Government of the Colony is concerned. That is to say, in other words, that the whole mercantile community of this Colony, the whole of those carrying on the trade of this Colony with China, should repudiate, but the Government should not. The Government should continue to receive as legal tender the coins it had issued, but that the community should not. I am unable to see how the Government of the Colony can dissociate itself from the community of the Colony, how the Government can adopt one form of legal tender when the Colony which it represents disavows and repudiates that form of legal tender. To my mind the one is as much a scheme of repudiation as the other. The Government of the Colony was referred to by the hon. member in his speech as if it were some outside committee existing for its own purposes in this Colony. It had gorged itself with profits and it was to disgorge those profits. I can only say that the Government of this Colony represents the taxpayers. The taxpayer of this Colony, in other words, the mercantile community, receives the benefit of the coins put in circulation. If the Government disgorge, the taxpayer disgorge. There is no separation between the Government of this Colony and the mercantile and trading interests. One minor point before I sit down. I would correct the hon. member for the Chamber of Commerce, who told us that my predecessor instituted the scheme of withdrawal of certain quantities of subsidiary coinage tendered in payment of taxes, and so forth. That is not strictly accurate. My predecessor did not institute that scheme further than to send Home large quantities of unused stock. The scheme was instituted in the hiatus which occurred between his leaving this Colony and my arrival.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—Your Excellency, in view of the statement which you have made, I beg leave to withdraw my resolution.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.  
Hon. Mr. STEWART asked—(1) Is it a fact that, in the original instance, the postponement of the King's Birthday Celebrations was ordered by the Secretary of State without any previous reference of the matter to or consultation with the Government of this Colony?

(2) If so, will the Government convey to the Secretary of State a respectful intimation that such treatment is resented in the Colony?

(3) In view of the fact that the well-known date of the birthday of His Britannic Majesty was chosen for the obsequies of the late Dowager Empress of China some weeks ago, and that up to last Friday the Secretary of State gave no sign that he considered that the claims of the latter overrode those of the former in this British Colony, has the Government any information as to the reason for this sudden change of attitude?

The COLONIAL SECRETARY replied:

1. Yes.  
2. The questions put forward by the hon. member and the replies given will be transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.  
3. No.

## A PUBLIC NUISANCE.

Hon. Mr. STEWART asked—Is it necessary to the work on the Post Office that the plot of Government Land between the Law Courts and the Praya should be largely occupied as workmen's dwellings?

How many people are housed nightly in the quarters which the contractor is allowed to maintain there, and what rent, if any, does he draw from their occupation? Are all the people housed there engaged in work on the Post Office? And are we to understand that the public may be asked to put up with the nuisance created by the condition of the plot in question for the year or more during which the Post Office will be in course of construction?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS replied:

1. No.  
2. There are at present over 30 men housed nightly in the workshop quarters. These are men brought over, after the last typhoon which destroyed their makeshifts, from the

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TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BYELAWS (as amended), every domestic building or part of such building within the EASTERN Division of the City of Victoria and the EASTERN Division of Kowloon occupied by members of more than one family, except those within the European Reservation or in Kowloon South of Austin Road, or those parts of a domestic building used as a shop, Office or Godown, must be CLEANSED and LIMBOWASHED THROUGHOUT by the owners during the months of October and November. N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this notice means that the houses should be limewashed in respect of all the walls of each room, all cubicle partitions, stair casings and stair linings, all ceilings and the undersides of roofs in main buildings, offices and servants' quarters and inclusive of verandahs. The backyard must have its containing walls limewashed up to the level of the first floor. Carved, painted or polished woodwork in good condition, however, need not be limewashed, but must be cleaned.

The Eastern Division of the City is bounded on the West by Gilman Street and Peel Street. Kowloon is divided into the Eastern and Western divisions by Robinson Road and a straight line drawn from the North and thereof through the Yau-mai service reservoir to the Northern boundary of Kowloon.

The Government Limewashing Contractor is prepared to cleanse and limewash floors at the rate of \$1.00 per floor on application being made to the Secretary of the Sanitary Board.

W. BOWEN-BOWLANDS, Secretary.

Dated this 1st day of November, 1909. [1410]

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[1411]

## FOR SHANGHAI.

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"ASSAYE." Capt. Owen Jones, R.N.R., will leave for the above Port TO-DAY, the 12th inst., at 5 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to—E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 12th November, 1909. [1412]



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1909. [1414]

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## NOTICE.

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A FINAL DIVIDEND of ONE SHILLING and SIXPENCE per Share, free of tax, has been declared by the Directors of the above Company, making a total of 15 per cent. for the year ending 23rd February, 1909.

COUPON No. 13 is payable on 2nd November, at the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA, and the RUSSO-CHINESE BANK at Tientsin and Shanghai.

J. S. DOBLE, Agent.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1909. [1360]

THE HONGKONG AND MANILA YUEN SHENG EXCHANGE AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG AND MANILA YUEN SHENG EXCHANGE AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 66, Bonham Strand West, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 15th day of November, 1909, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the subjoined resolutions which were passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on the 15th day of October, 1909, will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions—

## RESOLUTIONS.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—

(a) In Article 65 the word "Five" shall be substituted for the word "Twenty".

(b) In Article 86 the word "Three" shall be substituted for the word "Ten".

NG LI HING, General Manager.

Dated the 15th day of October, 1909. [1316]

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[1128]

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1909. [1364]

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DAVID WOOD, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1909. [1174]

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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM MIDDLESBRO' ANTWERP, HULL,  
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### THE Steamship

"GLENLOCHY,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed and placed at their risk  
in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and  
Godown Co.'s Godown at Kowloon, where each  
Consignment will be sorted out mark by mark  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless in-  
structions are given to the contrary before  
NOON, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 13th inst. will be  
subject to rent.

All damaged packages must be left in the  
Godowns, where they will be examined on the  
12th inst., at 3 P.M.

Owing to Cargo on board the "Glenloch,"  
having been on fire between Singapore and  
Hongkong, Consignees are hereby notified that  
before Bills of Lading can be countersigned an  
average agreement will have to be signed, and a  
deposit of 20 per cent. upon the estimated net  
value of their Cargo lodged with us.

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Hongkong, 6th November, 1909. [1397]

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owns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and  
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delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to  
be taken delivery of immediately.

All Claims must be sent to the Office of the  
undersigned before NOON on the 20th inst., or  
they will not be recognised.

All Claims will be presented within ten days  
of the steamer's arrival here, after which date  
they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 17th inst. will be subject  
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Hongkong, 10th November, 1909. [4]

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Arrive—Dairen ( " )	Saturday	Monday or Tuesday	
Lv. — " " " "	Sunday	Tuesday	Friday
Ar. — Mukden " " " "	"	"	"
Lv. — " " " "	"	"	"
Ar. — Changchun " " " "	Monday	Wednesday	Saturday
Lv. — " " " "	"	"	"
Ar. — Harbin (Russian Train)*	"	"	"
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Leave—Harbin (Russian Train)*	11.25 a.m.	Tuesday	Thursday	Saturday
Arrive—Changchun ( " )	9.40 p.m.	"	"	"
Lv. — " " " "	10.00 p.m.	"	"	"
Ar. — Mukden " " " "	5.08 a.m.	Wednesday	Friday	Sunday
Lv. — " " " "	5.20 a.m.	"	"	"
Ar. — Dairen " " " "	3.00 p.m.	"	"	"
Lv. — " " " "	"	"	"	"
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## HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(Continued from page 3)

Ma Tau Kok Quarry, from which stone for the Post Office is prepared. They will in a few days return to the Ma Tau Kok sheds, which are being rebuilt. The contractor draws no rent for housing those people, who are all engaged on Post Office work.

3. This answer disposes of the 3rd question.

### THE CEMETERY ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to set apart certain Crown Land to be used as a burial ground for persons professing the Christian religion.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

TRADE MARKS AMENDMENT ORDINANCE.  
Council went into Committee to resume consideration of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the law relating to trade marks."

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—Your Excellency—Two days ago I received a letter from the Colonial Secretary enclosing seven or eight suggested amending clauses. It appears to me, although I am not an expert in trade marks, that the matter is a very important one. There are a large number of merchants in the Colony who are interested in trade marks, either on their own behalf or on behalf of the firms at home which they represent, and it appears to me in view of the importance of the matter and also, as I understand, in view of the fact that there is no urgent necessity for the passing of this Bill, that it would be very advisable that an opportunity should be given to the merchants interested to see these clauses before the Bill passes its third reading. That being so, I would ask your Excellency to be good enough to allow the Bill to remain in committee until the merchants of the Colony have had an opportunity of seeing what the amendments are. When I received the letter I circulated a memorandum to the committee of the Chamber of Commerce, but it was impossible for us to discuss the question in the interval. As representing the Chamber of Commerce, I am not prepared to express any opinion on the proposals now before the Committee, and I cannot see that there can be any objection to allowing the matter to stand over. I would ask your Excellency to do this, and the Chamber of Commerce will deal with it as promptly as possible. I do not think the Bill ought to be put to the third reading until merchants have had an opportunity of expressing their opinion if they wish to do so. The question is a very important one.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—We shall be very glad to defer the Bill. We wish to have your views.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—That is my reason for asking for postponement. I propose, if you will allow me, to hand in the memorandum which I circulated to the committee, which will justify my reason for asking that the Bill be deferred.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—We will defer the Committee stage on this Bill, but I would ask you to expedite the matter as much as possible, as the session is much beyond the usual date. I would like the Council to meet again on Friday, the 26th November.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—I am much obliged to your Excellency for your consideration in the matter.

### THE HARBOUR OF REFUGE BILL.

Council went into Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to authorize the Construction and Maintenance of a Harbour of Refuge upon and over certain portions of the Sea Bed and Foreshore situated upon the Harbour frontage at Tai Kok Tsui, Mongkok Tsui, and Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon, in this Colony."

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved an amendment to section 2 (b) by adding the following words: "And do not when completed interfere with direct access to the sea along the whole of the western frontages of Kowloon Marine Lots 32 and 49, provided that the sea wall protecting any reclamation of the foreshore or seabed adjoining and lying to the south of Kowloon Marine Lot 32 shall not be altered so as to extend to the westward of the position shown on the said plan."

He said the amendment was merely to make "clear an alteration in the plan (submitted) and also to make clear that the access to the marine lots would not be interfered with. The amendment had been accepted by the owner of Kowloon Marine Lot 32.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—Does that mean that you can do anything else you like in front of a man's lot?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS—No.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—The line of the shore is marked "Harbour of Refuge boundaries."

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS—That is for the convenience of workmen.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—Does it mean that you can bring any number of junks you please opposite the houses there and leave them there during the time this breakwater is building?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS—That would be very unreasonable.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—Is there any danger of the "rights" of these marine lot holders being affected?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS—Lots that are likely to be affected are provided for in the Bill.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—You say it is not likely you will put junks in such a way as will prove inconvenient. But you will do it if you like?

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—I think the hon. member may rest assured that there will be no unreasonable interference. During the construction of the work junks will no doubt have to come and go, but there will be no interference with the access to the sea.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—That would work in the ordinary way if there were no special powers taken for the breakwater. I only ask what are the special powers for. You make a line all round the plan and say that within this you are going to take special powers.

The reply of the DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS was inaudible.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—You are not going to make any works along the foreshore?

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS—No.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—Then why provide for deviation all the way from the breakwater to the shore? I don't see what the building of the breakwater has got to do with the sea wall at all.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—You want to show the area of your harbour of refuge.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—If that is the object of the line then it is understandable.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—Supposing dredging operations were required in front of those lots, they would take place within the red line, not outside.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—Yes, but this apparently gives the Government the right say, to put a stone pier opposite that man's lot.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—I take it, your Excellency that if the Government are spending a large sum of money in making a valuable harbour of refuge they must have power to do any reasonable amount of work in that area. It appears to me that the Government proposal is a perfectly reasonable one, and I don't see anything to object to. We can trust to the Government officials and the assurance given by your Excellency.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—As for the rights of marine holders they are amply provided for in the Bill. And as a matter of fact no marine lot holder has objected to the Bill.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—The whole point is whether there is anything in this Bill which will affect the rights of marine lot owners.

Hon. Mr. HEWITT—They have all seen the Bill and discussed it, and do not object, or what objections they have made have been met.

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS—The marine lot holders affected are mentioned.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—Have you any amendment you wish to make to the clause?

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—No.

The section was then approved.

Sub-section 4 of the same clause was altered to read "The Governor may instead of making an award under this section enter into an agreement with any claimant for the compromise or settlement of any claim on such terms as the Governor may think fit."

Council then resumed.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the third reading of the Bill.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE—Council will adjourn until Friday, 26th inst.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of Finance Committee was then held, the COLONIAL SECRETARY presiding. The following vote was passed:—

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of Thirty-three thousand five hundred and ten Dollars (\$33,510) in aid of the vote, Public Works, Recurrent, Miscellaneous, Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.

The CHAIRMAN—The total damage by the last typhoon amounted to \$50,370. This supplementary vote is required to supplement the vote on the Estimates.

### THE RED FLAG BUDGET.

#### RADICAL PEEB'S REVOLT.

Lord Joicey, a former Radical M.P., who was elected a Peer by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, has sent the following letter to the secretary of the Montgomeryshire Boroughs Liberal Association to explain his resignation of the presidency:—

Ford Castle, Cornhill,  
Northumberland, Oct. 14, 1909.

Dear Mr. Phillips,—As I am unable to accept the financial policy of the Government, it is with sincere regret that I am compelled to resign the presidency of the Montgomeryshire Boroughs Liberal Association, and presume that your members will prefer a president who can give the Government undivided support.

In my judgment the Budget violates many principles which I have always considered necessary to sound finance, and is a complete surrender to the Socialists.

Its principles are in direct opposition to those which have been recognised by all the great financiers of the Liberal Party for a couple of generations, and it is based on the supposition that by despoiling the well-to-do the poor can be made better off, which in my opinion is fallacious.

It sacrifices principle to popularity, and asserts that it is almost criminal to accumulate in order to provide for one's family, which I have always considered to be the honourable duty of every citizen.

It deprives the industrious of the fruits of their own industry, largely for the benefit of the thrifless and idle.

It encourages reckless expenditure by all bodies expending the public money, and raises revenue by the most expensive methods.

It will render life to certain individuals almost unbearable by the constant inquisitorial interference of officials.

It seizes upon the capital of the country to spend as income, thus endangering the wages fund, which is absolutely necessary for the property of all classes.

It is unjust not only to individuals but to whole classes.

It will destroy the confidence of those in commerce, tend to demoralise the country, and in my opinion bring about Tariff Reform.

How the present Cabinet, composed of many men who served under our past great financiers, can have sanctioned such a Budget is beyond my comprehension.

Holding such views as these, I think you will agree with me that I cannot continue to be your president. I must take this opportunity of thanking all the members of the association with whom I have been working for some years for their great courtesy at all times, and again express my great regret at having to resign my position.

JOICEY.

Lord Joicey has been for many years one of the exponents of Radicalism in the North of England. He sat as a Radical for the Chester-le-Street Division of Durham from 1885 to the last General Election.

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## ARRIVALS.

ASSAYE, British str., 1,376, Owen Jones, S.N.R., 11th Nov.—Bombay 27th October, Malls and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
 BUSHU MARU, Japanese str., 1,069, Masamoto, 11th November—Mororan 29th October, General—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.  
 CHOYANG, British str., 424, M. Courtney, 11th Nov.—Shanghai 7th and Swatow 10th Nov.—General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 DALIN MARU, Jap. str., 900, Y. Kaburaki, 11th Nov.—Swatow 10th Nov., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
 11th November.  
 Chinkao, British str., for Shanghai.  
 Decadon, British str., for Yokohama.  
 Tong Hong, British str., for Amoy.  
 Victoria, Swedish str., for Haiphong.

## DEPARTURES.

11th November.  
 ALDENHAM, British str., for Sydney.  
 CAPRI, Italian str., for Singapore.  
 C. DIEBOLDSEN, German str., for Canton.  
 CHONGSHING, British str., for Weihaiwei.  
 CHITUNG, Chinese str., for Canton.  
 CHOSHUN MARU, Jap. str., for Swatow.  
 CHONGHANG, British str., for Canton.  
 KUCHOW, British str., for Tientsin.  
 NANCHANG, British str., for Nanchang.  
 PROTUS, Norwegian str., for Swatow.  
 SINGAN, British str., for Hoihow.  
 YETOSHI MARU, Jap. str., for Shanghai.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Chongshing reports: Mod. to strong N.E. winds experienced.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

November 11th.  
 ABERDEEN DOCK—  
 Kowloon Dock—On Lee, Lyndhurst, Kufany, Tongo Maru, H.M.S. Whiting, Sui On, Comptrol Dock—  
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LONDON, &c., via USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	H. Powell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
LONDON, HULL & ANTWERP	BROOKSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Tomlinson	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 26th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NAMUR	Brit. str.	—	H. W. Kenrick, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 1st Dec.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ANABIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Neumann	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 20th Dec.
HAYRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	BELOGRAVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Hildebrand	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 20th inst.
HAYRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SILVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Porcellini	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 25th inst.
HAYRE, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	BRUNAVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Schwinghammer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 30th inst.
HAYRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	SILEBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	v. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 15th Dec.
HAYRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SENESAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Bekhora	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 1st Jan.
MARSEILLES, HAYRE, COPENHAGEN, &c.	PEKING	Dan. str.	—	Guionnet	MELCHERS & Co.	On 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL.	ARMAND BEHIC	Fren. str.	—	Nielsen	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 23rd inst., at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. C. Hurry	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SADO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. E. Cope	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th Dec., at D'light
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	KITANA MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Groesch	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at 5 p.m.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINCESS ALICE	Ger. str.	—	Berguglian	MELCHERS & Co.	On 17th inst., at Noon.
NEW YORK	CHINA	Aus. str.	—	—	—	About 24th inst.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	GHAEZE	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
VANCOUVER, B.C., TACOMA & SEATTLE VIA JAPAN	WYNERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
VANCOUVER VIA JAPAN PORTS	KUMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPRESS OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	—	—
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
TACOMA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, &c., via JAPAN PORTS, &c.	TACOMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	MANSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIWAN	Jap. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	—	—	—
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TSUKIMI	Dut. str.	—	—	—	—
SHANGHAI	ASSAYE	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
SHANGHAI	CHOYANG	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CANTON	Dan. str.	—	—	—	—
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	E. F. FERDINAND	Aus. str.	—	—	—	—
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ANHUI	Brit. str.	k. w.	—	—	—
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PAWLAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	LINAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAKASAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	NAMANG	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ERNEST SIMONS	Fren. str.	—	—	—	—
SHANGHAI	JOIMARI	Dut. str.	—	—	—	—
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SOSHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
TAMU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DALIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KAITONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
AMOI & FOCHOW	HAITANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	—	—	—
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	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
	ZAFING	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
	TEIN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	—
	BONNO	Ger. str.	—	—	—	—
	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	—
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. F. v. Binzer	About Wed. day, 17th November.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	ASSAYE	5 P.M., 12th Nov.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DEVANHA	Noon, 13th Nov.	See Special of Call.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, PALAWAN and YOKOHAMA	Capt. C. R. Longden, R.N.R.	About 19th Nov.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON and ANTWERP	NAMUR	About 1st Dec.	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1909.

# CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	KATFONG	On 12th Nov. 4 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	On 14th Nov. D'light	
SHANGHAI	TAMING	On 16th Nov. 3 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	ANHUI	On 18th Nov. 4 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	LIAN	On 21st Nov. D'light	
MANILA	TEAN	On 23rd Nov. 3 p.m.	

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

SS. "LINTAN" and SS. "SANUL"

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. REDUCED FARES, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

MANILA TWIN SCREW STEAMERS & TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior Passenger accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon.

FAST SCHEDULE TWIN SCREW STEAMERS "ANHUI," "CHENAN," "CHINUA" and "LIAN" with excellent accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leaving Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

N.B.—Passengers must embark before Mid-night on SATURDAY, for the SUNDAY Morning sailings. A Co.'s launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 O'clock every SATURDAY Night.

These Steamers Land Passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transhipment at Woosung.

FARE, INCLUDING WINE, \$45 SINGLE and \$80 RETURN. TELEPHONE 35.

For Freight or Passage apply to—**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.**

# DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST CLASS—FASTEST AND MOST LUXURIOUS STEAMERS ON THE COAST HAVING SPLENDID ACCOMMODATION FOR FIRST-CLASS PASSENGERS. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND FIRST-CLASS CUISINE.

STEAMERS	FOR	LEAVING
"HAIYANG"	AMOY and FOCHOW.	SATURDAY, 13th Oct. at Noon.
"HAIMUN"	SWATOW	SATURDAY, 13th Nov. at 5 P.M.
"HAICHUNG"	SWATOW, AMOY and FOCHOW.	TUESDAY, 16th Nov. at 10 A.M.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF PASSENGERS, STEAMERS WILL ARRIVE AT, AND DEPART FROM, THE COMPANY'S WHARF (NEAR BLAKE PIER).

For Freight and Passage apply to—

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,  
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1909.

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# EAST ASIATIC CO., LD.

COPENHAGEN, SINGAPORE, BANGKOK &amp; SHANGHAI.

# RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC CO., LD.,

ST. PETERSBURG &amp; VLADIVOSTOK.

# SWEDISH EAST ASIATIC CO., LD.

GOTHENBURG.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CANTON"	On 17th November.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN, GOTHENBURG and BALTIC PORTS	"PEKING"	20th November.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN, GOTHENBURG and BALTIC PORTS	"CANTON"	Middle of December.

For Further Particulars apply to  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1909.MELOCHERS & CO.,  
AGENTS.

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# INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 12th Nov. 4 p.m.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Saturday, 13th Nov. 1 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	"CHOYSANG"	Tuesday, 16th Nov. Noon.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Wednesday, 17th Nov. 3 p.m.	
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 19th Nov. 4 p.m.	
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, Kobe & Moji	"NAMSANG"	Tuesday, 30th Nov. 3 p.m.	

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN.

OCCUPYING 24 DAYS.

The Steamers "KUTSANG," "NAMSANG" and "FOKSANG" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay 5 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

\* Steamers have superior accommodation for First Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

For Freight or Passage apply to—**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,**

Hongkong, 12th November, 1909.

GENERAL MANAGERS.

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# SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR  
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO, ETC., VIA MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA,  
HONOLULU, MANZANILLO and SALINA CRUZ (MEXICO).  
S.S. MANSU MARU ... 5000 tons gross ... Sail Dec. 10th, at Noon.  
S.S. AMERICA MARU ... 6000 ... Febr. 5th, 1910, at Noon.

For particulars apply to

K. MATSUDA, Manager.  
TOYO KISEN KAISHA, King's Building.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1909.

# NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	KITANO MARU Capt. F. E. Cope	6,500	WED'DAY, 17th Nov., at 5 P.M.
	WAKASA MARU Capt. N. Nielsen	6,500	WED'DAY, 24th Nov., at Daylight
	SADO MARU Capt. G. C. Hurry	6,500	WED'DAY, 8th Dec., at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA	SHINANO MARU Capt. K. Kawara	6,500	TUESDAY, 7th Dec., at Noon
	AKI MARU Capt. K. Sato	7,000	TUESDAY, 4th Jan., at Noon
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	FRIDAY, 26th Nov., at Noon
	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler	6,000	FRIDAY, 24th Dec., at Noon
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KAWACHI MARU Capt. H. Petersen	6,500	SATURDAY, 13th Nov., at Daylight
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	BOMBAY MARU Capt. W. A. Evans	5,000	FRIDAY, 19th November.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KAMO MARU Capt. F. L. Sommer	6,000	SATURDAY, 20th Nov., at Daylight
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU Capt. W. Winkler	6,000	WED'DAY, 24th Nov., at Noon
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	TAKASAKI MARU Capt. A. Mocker	5,000	THURSDAY, 25th November.

\* Calling at Genoa.

† Fitted with New System of Wireless Telegraphy.

‡ Cargo only.

† Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the Great Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Nagasaki and Yokohama, 1st and 2nd Class through Passengers have the option of travelling by Rail.

From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.

CHEAPEST PASSAGE RATES TO EUROPE AND AROUND-THE-WORLD.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Charter Road.

T. KUSUMOTO,  
MANAGER. [15-93]

# CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE.
RUBI	2340	R. W. Almond	Manila	On 13th Nov. Noon.
ZAFIRO	2340	R. Rodger	Manila	On 20th Nov. Noon.

For Freight or Passage apply to  
HONGKONG, 1st November, 1909.SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers. [14]

# HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE HAMBURG.

EAST ASIATIC FREIGHT SERVICE.

Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES,  
via STRAITS and COLOMBO,  
to HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG and to NEW YORK.

TAKING Cargo at Through Rates to all European North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Marseilles, Genoa, and other Mediterranean, Levantine, Black Sea and Baltic Ports, and all North and South American Ports.

Also via Aden or Port Said, by the Company's "Arabian and Persian Service" to Arabian and Persian Gulf Ports.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA:

S.S. SUEVIA	17th Nov.
S.S. SENEGAMBIA	18th Nov.
S.S. SITHONTIA	1st Dec.
S.S. SCANDIA	10th Dec.
S.S. BRASILIA	18th Dec.
S.S. SEGOVIA	23rd Dec.

Further Particulars, apply to—

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

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HOMEWARD.

FOR HAVRE, ROTTERDAM &amp; HAMBURG:

S.S. BELGRAVIA	20th Nov.
S.S. SILVIA	25th Nov.
S.S. BRISGAVIA	30th Nov.
S.S. SILESLIA	15th Dec.
S.S. ARABIA	24th Dec.
S.S. SENEGAMBIA	1st Jan.

Further Particulars, apply to—

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

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# THOS. COOK & SON, TOURIST, STEAMSHIP & FORWARDING AGENTS, BANKERS, &c.

CHIEF OFFICE:—LUDGATE CIRCUS, LONDON, E.C.

TICKETS TO EUROPE by the principal STEAMSHIP LINES and TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

TOURS arranged to ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

BAGGAGE collected, forwarded and insured at lowest rates.

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FOREIGN MONIES exchanged.

OFFICIAL AGENTS FOR THE OBERAMMERGAU PASSION

PLAYS OF 1910.

Head Office for the Far East:—

15, DES VOGES ROAD, HONGKONG.

Japan Office:—

14, WATER STREET, YOKOHAMA.

# JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAHU	JAVA	Second half of Nov.	SHANGHAI	Second half of Nov.
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of Nov.	JAVA	Second half of Nov.
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	First half of Dec.	JAVA	First half of Dec.
TJIKINI	JAVA	First half of Dec.	JAPAN	First half of Dec.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Second half of Dec.	SHANGHAI	Second half of Dec.
TJIBODAS	JAVA	Second half of Dec.	JAPAN	Second half of Dec.

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Yok Buildings, 1st Floor.  
Hongkong, 9th November, 1909.

Telephone No. 375.

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# OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration).

# TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Connecting at TACOMA with  
THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE AND PUGET SOUND RAILWAY.

THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY.

(The only direct train service, without transshipment, also shortest and fastest route, from the Pacific Coast to Chicago). Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points in the U.S.A. and Canada, also to the principal ports in Mexico, Central and South America.

FOR	STEAMERS	Tons (Gross reg.)	LEAVES.
TACOMA via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"TACOMA MARU" Capt. H. Yamamoto	6,178	SUNDAY, 19th Dec., at D'light.

The Co.'s Newly Built Steamers have fair speed. Superior accommodation for storage. Passengers situated AMIDSHIP. A limited number of Cabin Passengers carried at Low Rates. Rest adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Treasure and Parcels. Special attention given towards Express connection.

# HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS & FORMOSA SERVICE

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES.
ANPING via SWATOW, & AMOY	"SOSHU MARU" Capt. K. Suoi	SUNDAY, 14th Nov., at Daylight.
TAMSUI via SWATOW, & AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU" Capt. Y. KUDURAKI	MONDAY, 15th Nov., at Noon.

Fair Speed. Superior Passenger Accommodation. Electric Light throughout. First Class Cuisine.

The Newly Built Steamers: "CHOSHUN MARU" and "BUJUN MARU" have First Class Cabins AMIDSHIP.

For information of Freight, Passages, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

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T. ARIMA,  
MANAGER

# PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON 1910.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

# MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR  
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.  
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STEAMERS to COLOMBO	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due LONDON (London 1 day later)
Steamer Tons	P.M. SATURDAY	Steamer Tons	SATURDAY	FRIDAY
ARCADIA 7000	February 5	MANTUA 11000	March 5	March 11
ASSAYE 7500	February 19	CHINA 8000	March 19	March 25
DELTA 8000	March 5	MAIWA 11000	April 2	April 8
MACEDONIA 10500	March 19	(Through Steamer)	April 16	April 22
DEVANHA 8000	April 2	(Call at Bombay)	April 30	May 6
ASSAYE 8000	April 16	MARMORA 10500	May 14	May 20
DELTA 7500	April 30	MOREA 11000	May 28	June 3
DELHI 8000	May 14	MOOLTAN 10000	June 12	June 18

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong or at the time of booking.

FARES TO LONDON (Including Surtax):  
1st SALOON £71.10 SINGLE £106.14 RETURN.  
2nd " £48.8 " £72.12 "

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:—

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

# LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS	Leave HONGKONG	Due LONDON
* SYRIA	January about 26	March 12
* SUMATRA	February 9	March 26
* NYANZA	February 23	April 9
* SUNDA	March 23	May 7
* MALTA	April 20	June 4
* SARDINIA	May 4	June 18
* NORE	May 18	July 2

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES.

FARES TO LONDON (Including Surtax):

1st SALOON £55.0 SINGLE £82.10 RETURN.

2nd " £38.10 " £57.4 "

\* Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers.

For Further Particulars, apply to:—

E. A. HEWETT,

SUPERINTENDENT

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## POST OFFICE NOTICE

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN Route to EUROPE.

## Mails from EUROPE via SIBERIA.

Date of Dispatch from London.	Date due in Hongkong.	Vessel.
22nd & 23rd October .....	To-day .....	Panama.

The Public are informed that the Christmas and New Year Parcel Mail to the United Kingdom will be closed in this office at 5 p.m., today. In order to facilitate the work and avoid delay it is requested that parcels be posted before the above date. This Parcel Mail by the long sea route via Gibraltar is due in London on the 18th of December. Parcels may be forwarded via Brindisi with an extra fee of 20 cents, such parcels are due to reach London on or about the 10th of December with the Letter Mail. Parcels containing Gold or Silver must be insured for at least part of their value. All insured parcels must be sealed. All the seals must be of the same kind of wax, and must bear distinct impressions of some device. This device must be the same on each seal. Straight curved or crossed lines are not admissible. Buttons or coins must not be used for sealing.

The Clerks of this Post Office are strictly forbidden to seal parcels for the Public or to affix stamps on letters or parcels.

Parcels tendered for posting that do not comply with the regulations will not be accepted.

FOR	PER	DATE
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Iloilo .....	Sui Tai .....	Friday, 12th, 1.15 P.M.
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Iloilo .....	Kaifong .....	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Iloilo .....	Lomgung .....	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Kobe and Yokohama .....	Kawachi Maru .....	Friday, 12th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama .....	Denshigawa .....	Friday, 12th, 5.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO .....	Mongolia .....	Saturday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE .....		Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 9.45 A.M.
		Registration, Kowloon H.O., 9.00 A.M.
		No late fee, 10.00 A.M.
Amoy and Foochow .....	Haiyang .....	Saturday, 13th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay .....	Copri .....	Saturday, 13th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila .....	Bubu .....	Saturday, 13th, 10.00 A.M.

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Obtainable at all the Stores.

## H. RUTTONJEE &amp; SON.

## WINE AND PROVISION MERCHANTS.

## COMMERCIAL.

## EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

November 11th.

On LONDON—	Telegraphic Transfer .....	1/8 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand .....	1/8 1/2	
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight .....	1/8 1/2	
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight .....	1/8 1/2	
Credits, at 4 months sight .....	1/8 1/2	
Documentary Bills 4 months sight .....	1/8 1/2	
On PARIS—	Bank Bills, on demand .....	213
Credits, at 4 months sight .....	222	
On GERMANY—	On demand .....	177
On NEW YORK—	Bank Bills, on demand .....	424
Credits, at 60 days sight .....	434	
On BOMBAY—	Telegraphic Transfer .....	129
Bank, on demand .....	129	
On CALCUTTA—	Telegraphic Transfer .....	129
Bank, on demand .....	129	
On SHANGHAI—	Bank, at sight .....	743
Private, 30 days sight .....	753	
On YOKOHAMA—	On demand .....	841
On MANILA—	On demand .....	85
On SINGAPORE—	On demand .....	733
On BATAVIA—	On demand .....	1044
On HATPHONG—	On demand .....	74 1/2 p.m.
On SAIGON—	On demand .....	74 1/2 p.m.
On BANGKOK—	On demand .....	583
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate .....	\$11.50	
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola .....	\$60.50	
BAR SILVER, per oz. .....	23 1/2	

## OPIUM.

November 11th.

Quotations are:—	
Malwa New .....	\$1,250/1,280 per picul.
Malwa Old .....	\$1,290/1,320
Malwa Older .....	\$1,330/1,370
Malwa V. Old .....	\$1,380/1,420
Persian fine quality .....	\$1,050/1,100
Persian extra fine .....	\$1,160/1,200
Patna New .....	\$1,475 per chest.
Patna Old .....	\$1,475
Banass New .....	\$1,475
Banass Old .....	—

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

## THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Waldemar* left Manila on the 10th inst., at midnight, and may be expected here to-morrow a.m.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Taiyuan* left Sydney on the 30th ult., and is due here on the 24th inst.

The E. & A. str. *Empire* from Sydney, N.C., left Port Darwin on the 3rd inst., for Manila and this port.

## THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Apar str. *Japan* from Calcutta left Singapore on the 7th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 14th inst.

## THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Ludwig*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 20th ultimo, left Colombo on the 7th instant p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 18th instant.

## THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. *Montezuma* left Vancouver for Hongkong on the 22nd ultimo p.m. via the usual ports of call.

## HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, November 11th.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer .....	29.98	30.19	30.13
Temperature .....	78	68	69
Humidity .....	60	70	67
Wind Direction .....	N	N	N
Force .....	2	8	2
Weather .....	c	c	c
Rain .....	—	—	—

## NAPIER JOHNSTONE'S "SQUARE BOTTLE"

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THE SAME TO-DAY AS IN 1745.

BEWARE OF WHISKIES Sold under Similar Names.

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SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG: LANE, CRAWFORD &amp; Co., and from ALL WINE MERCHANTS. [52]

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HERMETICALLY SEALED BOXES

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FROM ALL TOBACCONISTS.



## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 11TH, 1909.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASE.
<b>BANKS.</b>				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$995, sellers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	26	\$55
Bank of China, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$10, buyers
China Bank, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$12, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, buyers
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$9.50, sales
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 144
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, sales
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 91
Leong-Kung-Mow C. Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 111
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 435
<b>Dairy Farm Company, Limited</b>	40,000	\$74	\$6	\$164, sellers
<b>DOCKERS AND WHARVES.</b>				
Thong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$63, sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$55, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$63	\$63	\$9, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 76
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 136
<b>KEWICK &amp; CO., LIMITED</b>	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$11, sellers
<b>GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED</b>	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$74, sellers
<b>HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LIMITED</b>	7,000	\$10	\$10	\$210, buyers
<b>HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED</b>	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$204, sellers
<b>HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED</b>	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$75, buyers
<b>HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED</b>	8,000	\$25	\$25	\$45, buyers
<b>HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED</b>	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$180, sellers
<b>INSURANCES.</b>				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$162, sellers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$115, sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$92, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$375
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 105
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$847, sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$230
<b>LANDS AND BUILDINGS.</b>				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$104, sellers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$30, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$50	Tls. 120
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$432
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$432
<b>MINING.</b>				
Société Française des Charbon de Tonkin	16,000	£250	all	\$625, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	£1	18/10	\$74, sellers
<b>PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED</b>	25,000	\$10	all	\$134, sellers
<b>PHILIPPINE CO., LIMITED</b>	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$14, sellers
<b>REFINERIES.</b>				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$152, buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$20
<b>ROBINSON PIANO CO., LIMITED</b>	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
<b>STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.</b>				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$84, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	\$15	\$304, sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$15	all	\$41, buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 def.	\$5	all	\$19, buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	71
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$26, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$144, sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$24, buyers
<b>STORES AND DISPENSARIES.</b>				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$12
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$33, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$8, sellers
Weissmann, Limited	175	\$100	\$100	\$130
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	\$4	\$123, sellers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 shares	\$10	\$10	\$500
<b>RUBBERS.</b>				
Balgownie	—	—	—	\$59 (Sta.)
Pegohs	—	—	—	\$24 (Sta.)
Ragahs	—	—	—	\$29 (Sta.)
Caribboides	—	—	—	15/6
Consolidated Malay	—	—	—	26-12-5
Dumansars	—	—	—	24-3-9
Highlands and Lowlands	—	—	—	70/
Kamunings	—	—	—	3/8, sellers
Kuala Lumpur	—	—	—	24-10-0, nom.
Ledbury's	—	—	—	22-5-0
Linggis	—	—	—	24/6
Sapongs	—	—	—	23/
Shelfords	—	—	—	35/
Sungai Kaj	—	—	—	23-15-0

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
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Hongkong, 4th November, 1909. [1258]

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GODOWNS, Nos. 95, 96 and 97, PRAYA EAST.

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